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LEGISLATIVE NOTES

Special Correspondence.

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 10.—The first gun in the fight to abolish the mounted police of the state was fired on Thursday afternoon in the senate by Senator H. L. Kerr, who introduced a bill to repeal the act under which that body was organized. The bill is only about three lines in length but it contains more concentrated dynamite than any other law that has been proposed during the present session of the legislature. It is practically assured that the bill will pass the senate, unless the strenuous efforts that are being made by the members of the force and their friends should bear some unexpected fruit, and there is also a strong probability that party lines in the house will be disregarded when the bill reaches that body, as it is an open secret that the live stock interests of the state are almost unanimously opposed to the further existence of the organization, and this opposition is certain to make itself felt when the bill comes up for passage.

It is maintained by those who favor the abolition of the mounted police that the organization has gone to seed and has signally failed to perform the duties for which it was formed. Instead of spending their time on the range, protecting the interests of the cattlemen, as was intended when the mounted police were organized, the members of the body are to be found more often than not in the towns of the state, where they spend their time chasing petty offenders and usurping the duties of the regularly elected peace officers of the different cities and towns of the state, and causing friction among the officers whose duty it is to preserve the peace of such cities and towns.

Another aspect of the fight for the abolition of the mounted police is expected to develop on Monday, February 10th, when a meeting of the Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association will be held, at which the principal subject to come up for discussion will be the continued existence or otherwise of the mounted police. It is stated that the peace officers of New Mexico are practically a unit in demanding the abolition of the organization, and they will come to Santa Fe prepared to exert their influence to the utmost for the accomplishment of this purpose.

Apolonio Sena, the recently appointed captain of the mounted police, has been as busy as a bird dog in his efforts to line up his friends against the bill, but with very little promise of success so far.

In case the mounted police are disbanded the preservation of peace on the ranges and the prevention of depredations by stock thieves will be left in the hands of the mounted inspectors of the Cattle Sanitary Board an organization which even now contributes materially to the maintenance of the mounted police and which is said to prefer the appointment of its own inspectors for the protection of its members.

Determined that the unsuspecting public shall have protection against spurious stocks and bonds which are being constantly floated on the market in New Mexico, and which are fleecing the people out of millions of dollars each year, Democratic members of the legislature in conference this week have designed the support of legislation which in sister states is commonly known as the "Blue Sky Law." Such a restraint of illegitimate stock selling schemes, it is stated, has long been needed in New Mexico. The absence of such a law has made the state a Mecca for sharks who promote all kinds of spurious commercial schemes. The proposed law however be construed so as to be no retardant to legitimate promotions such as mining propositions that have been sanctioned.

The Governor's ship of state bearing his pet measures paramount among which is the bi-lingual bill providing for the compulsory teaching of Spanish in the schools throughout the state, has sighted dangerous shoals ahead and is sending out frantic S. O. S. signals, according to Democratic members of both houses of the legislature. "The Governor cannot cram this bi-lingual bill down the throat of the legislature without incurring one of the bitterest fights ever seen in a legislature of this state" stated a member of the Senate this week. "Republican members of both houses now feel that if the Governor displays too much ambition in behalf of the measure a split of the majority party in both houses is unavoidable," continued the Senator, "and it is doubted if the state's executive will insist upon the passage of

SAILOR LETTER

Brest, France,

January 26, 1919.

Dear Editor:—I will write a few lines to let you know I am still alive and in France. They tried awfully hard to get me, but failed each time. My ship was torpedoed and sunk last August in the North Sea off Scotland. All of the crew was rescued by B79, an English destroyer. We went to Edinburgh, Scotland. From there overland to Liverpool, England, and from there we were sent back to New York. I was in New York five days, then I was transferred to the U. S. S. Silver Arrow, a sister ship to the one that was sunk. We sailed from New York in September and I arrived here in Brest the first part of October. We started back to New York on the 12th and was about seventy miles out. Seventeen of the crew including myself, were sick with Spanish Influenza, so the captain decided to turn back and transfer us to the hospital here. I was in the hospital two weeks, when I recovered I was transferred to the Chateau here. There I got my orders and in a half hour I was on my way to S. C. 104. We left that night doing about duty on the English Channel. Two days later we were near Zeebrugge, Belgium, in a heavy fog. In a few minutes the fog lifted and we found ourselves in plain view and range of the German guns at Zeebrugge. They fired about fifty shots at us and finally one high explosive shell struck the little S. C. 104 amidships and blew her to a thousand pieces. All of the crew was killed and went down with the ship but myself and a machinist's mate. In a few minutes we were picked up and made prisoners in Germany until after the armistice was signed. Then we were sent back to Base Seven. After a week I was transferred to the U. S. S. Long Beach. In a few days we sailed for England. The ship struck a drifting mine about 3:00 A. M. and went down in two minutes. Only nine of the crew were saved. We landed at South Hampton, England, in a 20-foot whale boat. We went to the Red Cross there and were fitted out with soldiers' uniforms, as they had no sailor uniforms. They also gave us tobacco and money. We reported to the American consul and from there went to Plymouth and caught the U. S. Destroyer Len, that was carrying mail to Brest, France. On my arrival here I was sent to the U. S. S. Carola. Since then I have been working in the beachmaster's office here, except seven days I was on leave in Paris and to the front. The Carola is stationed here in the navy yard. I get liberty when not on duty. It will possibly be a year before I will be home.

I received two copies of your paper this week and I was very glad to get them.

Well I must bring this to an end as I have some work to do this morning. Best wishes to you and friends of the valley.

Yours respectfully,
R. C. HAMBY.

NOTICE TO FARMERS AND STOCKMEN

Those expecting to order feeds of any kind should do so at once in order to get the advantage of the one-half freight rate now given to shippers of such products, as this rate will be discontinued March 1st. Most feeds are advancing in price, and money can be saved by buying now.—C. H. Bennett, Acting County Agent.

TO RED CROSS BRANCHES

Red Cross Branches are requested to send in their knitting as fast as completed. Because work-room is not open every day, please send in care Estancia Savings Bank.—Mrs. A. J. Green, Supervisor of Knitting.

the bill."

Ethiopiote Demosthenes Williams, colored, signally honored by the Republican members of the House of Representatives with the appointment as Second Assistant Sergeant at Arms, has resigned his place on the House floor. No longer will the darksome son of Doña Ana grace the chair by the doorway of the House. He has returned to Las Cruces where he is a factor in local politics.

Just what happened to provoke his resignation will perhaps be kept a secret, but it is rumored that pressure from the Republican camp has forced a little white-washing. Accountability, thou art a jewel. It is reported articles of condolence have been tendered Major Llewellyn at whose instance Williams came to Santa Fe from Doña Ana county.

ANOTHER RAILROAD STORY

The feasibility of building a railroad from Moriarty, Torrance county, to Farmington, San Juan county, by way of Albuquerque, is to be investigated by an expert.

A. C. Ridgway of Chicago, former general manager of the Denver & Rio Grande railway, is here for that purpose. He arrived Friday morning and is staying at the Alvarado hotel. He intends to remain in the vicinity of Albuquerque until his investigation, which will be thorough-going, is finished.

It was stated that Mr. Ridgway would be pleased to confer with business men of the city and to hear what they had to say about the amount of tonnage which could be depended upon for such an enterprise. It is in the business that the railroad could get that he is interested and it was understood that no bonus or other financial assistance would interest him.

It is Mr. Ridgway's purpose not to make any mystery about his business here. His sole purpose is to investigate the costs of such a road and the amount of tonnage which would probably be available.

The importance of Mr. Ridgway's visit to the city cannot be exaggerated as his findings probably will decide whether the years-old visions of an Albuquerque-Moriarty and an Albuquerque-Farmington railroad will become realities or remain just visions. The Farmington road would make part of the city's trade territory perhaps the richest regions of the state in minerals, agriculture and other resources, and its continuation to Moriarty would give the city a short route to the Estancia valley and its resources. Moriarty is on the New Mexico Central. The New Mexico Central connects with the El Paso & Southwestern at Torrance.

The last volume of Who's Who in America—for 1918-1919—gives Mr. Ridgway's history as a railroad man. It says:

"Began as roadmaster's clerk and section laborer, Kansas Pacific railway, 1887; freight brakeman and work conductor, Union Pacific railway, 1878-1880; chief clerk to engineer, Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway, 1880-1881; became connected with the Denver & Rio Grande railway, 1881; assistant superintendent, second and third divisions, same, 1889-1896; superintendent, later general superintendent, Florence & Cripple Creek road and associated companies, 1896-1899; general manager of the Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek District railway, 1899-1902; general manager of the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific railway, 1902-1905; general manager Denver & Rio Grande railway system, 1905-1909; assistant general manager and assistant second vice president, 1910-1912; second vice president, 1913-1917; first vice president since June, 1917, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway."

Mr. Ridgway intends to begin his investigation at once. He will start on the Albuquerque Eastern the link between Moriarty and the city—setting out today. He will not be able at the present time, however, to make more than a partial survey of that route on account of the fact that high points are still under snow.—Albuquerque Journal.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Since last report marriage licenses have been issued to the following named:

Severo Peña, Manzano
Manuela Gutierrez, Manzano
Manuel Elicio, Tome
Leonar Tarin, Eastview

Lorenzo Candelario, Estancia
Margarita Gurule, Estancia
Nabor Padilla, Torreon
Gabriela Maldonado, Torreon

Joe Swift, Mountainair
Dubegan Mahis, Mountainair
Ezequiel Sedillo, Mountainair
Refugia Jaramillo, Mountainair

Miguel Trujillo, Tajique
Isabel Sanchez, Tajique
Raquel Otero Peña, Willard
Eduarda Gutierrez, Willard

Antonio Mirabal, Mountainair
Ramona Sedillo, Mountainair
Silverio Ballejos, Punta
Benite Sanchez, Belen

Victor L. Baca, Encino
Genobeba Saiz, Encino

Our grocery department is now complete in all lines. For good fresh groceries see us.—Estancia Lumber Co.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Amadello Vigil to Felipe Alderete, lots 3, 4, e½ sw¼ 31-3-11, \$1 and other considerations.

Ella Creel to Ethel V. Swartz, se¼ 10-5-7, \$800.

Henry Cox to H. C. Lacy, sw¼ se¼ 30, sw¼ sw¼ 29, ne¼ ne¼, se¼ ne¼ 31-6-8, \$1,400, right to construct ditch over ne¼ ne¼ 31, reserved.

W. B. Tracy to O. C. Lane, lot 1, se¼ ne¼ 1-6-8, \$1,200.

W. E. Sanders to Clyde and Horton B. Lee, ne¼ 19, nw¼ 20-6-8, \$4,500.

A. J. Green to Elizabeth L. Green, all 33-7-9, \$1 and other considerations.

Marion Wimmer to W. S. Thompson, lots 3-4, n½ sw¼ 35-10, lots 3-4, s½ ne¼ 2-9-7, \$1 and other considerations.

Lizzie and W. A. Rainbolt to J. E. Hirman, lot 2 blk B Estancia, \$2,000.

J. W. Jones to Gregorita Chavez, lot 6 blk 24 Mountainair, \$240.

J. J. White to Frank and Jack Pru, nw¼ 3-3-5, s½ ne¼, lot 2 4-3-5, \$2,600.

Roy F. Brown to G. W. Bond and Bro. Mer. Co., nw¼, n½ sw¼, sw¼ ne¼, nw¼ se¼ 33-7-13, \$4,378.65.

Thomas J. Harlan to C. M. Bowden, ne¼ 23-5-7, \$1 and other considerations.

Martin H. and Florence C. Senter to L. A. Rousseau, lot 11 and 15 feet off west side lot 10 blk 88 Estancia, \$1 and other considerations.

John Berkshire to Emma G. Baker, e½ 6-5-9, \$1 and other considerations.

Lucaria Torrez de Montoya to Juan Jose Montoya, n½ small holding claim 372, 24-6-5, (16.5 acres) \$1 and other considerations.

J. R. Wash to Estancia Lumber Co., lot 4 blk 41 Estancia, \$300 and other considerations.

Sidney M. Loveless to J. R. Wash, lot 4 blk 41 Estancia, \$450.

J. M. Gregory to F. H. Jones, lot 12 blk 6 Duran, \$500.

G. B. Salas to Refugio Sanchez, lot 5 blk 11 Salas addition Willard, \$1 and other considerations.

J. N. Hamrick to John A. Cooper, w½ sw¼ 4, e½ ne¼ 5-3-7, \$10.

Rumaldo Mirabal to Francisco A. Torres, se¼ 8-4-9, except part contained in A. T. & S. F. right of way, \$1 and other considerations.

N. A. Wells to George Pugh, sw¼ 1-5-7, \$1 and other considerations.

J. B. Tate to Sam N. Jensen, lot 5 blk 41 Estancia, \$1 and other considerations.

Salvador Jaramillo to Victor Lucas, w½ nw¼ 14, n½ ne¼ 15-2-11, \$1 and other considerations.

Nortin A. Jones to E. Paul Howerton, s½ 33-3-10, \$2,000.

Leo A. Douglas to Neal Jensen, ne¼ 13-5-7, \$1 and other considerations.

Robert Taylor to B. J. Tracy, e½ sw¼, w½ se¼ 23-6-8, \$1 and other considerations.

J. C. Dean to William Davis, ne¼, sw¼ 29, se¼ 30-9-8, \$2,400.

James Morris to W. B. Phipps, sw¼ 13-5-7, \$1 and other considerations.

C. L. Higday to Francis King, s½ ne¼, 22-6-8, \$400.

Camilo Valencia to William H. Crothers, se¼ nw¼, s½ ne¼ se¼ 3-9-9, \$1.

John Y. Owen to B. C. Williams, e½ 31-4-8, \$1,500.

Clark M. Carr to Macario Torres, sw¼ ne¼, w½ se¼, se¼ se¼, 14-5-8, \$800.

O. C. Loveless to Emory C. Brockman, lots 8-9 blk 40 Estancia, \$1 and other considerations.

Nancy E. and John H. Bilsing to Charles G. Kenyon, se¼ 13-6-8, \$1 and other considerations.

Willie Elgin to M. A. Kiser, se¼ 31-6-9, \$800.

M. A. Kiser to Florence C. Senter, se¼ 31-6-9, \$10.

Frank W. Stephens to Florence C. Senter, e½ sw¼, lots 3-4 31-6-9, \$700.

Emory C. Brockman to Overton C. Loveless, se¼ se¼ 20, n½ ne¼, ne¼ nw¼ 29-7-7, \$1 and other considerations.

Barnett Freilinger to Edna Elm Britton, lot 17 blk 39 Estancia, \$1 and other considerations.

Torrance County Savings Bank to Willard Merc. Co., blk 16 Mountainair, \$100.

Arie Mailenburg to Hiram S. Williams, s½ se¼, s½ sw¼ 1, se¼ se¼ 2, except 5 acres along west end of last named 40-acre tract, n½ ne¼ 12 except 1 acre in ne corner of ne¼ ne¼ said section, 9-7, \$1 and other considerations.

Nancy J. Robinson to F. B. Poin-dexter, se¼ 20-1-12, \$1,200.

Robert E. Robinson to F. B. Poin-

KILLING AT ENCINO

On Sunday Amado Zamora, a herder, was shot and killed by Ross Conner, a ranchman, at the Conner ranch about ten miles north of Encino.

Conner immediately went to Encino and gave himself up to Tomas Bachicha, justice of the peace. A preliminary trial was held on Monday before Justice Bachicha, the state being represented by Assistant District Attorney Hitt with Deputy Sheriff Rousseau present, and the defendant by Mr. Wood of the firm of Marron & Wood, Albuquerque.

The state introduced two witnesses, a cook and another herder, no witnesses being introduced for the defense.

The defendant was held in bond of \$2,000 to the grand jury, which bond was at once furnished.

Conner claims that he shot in self defense. The trouble was a dispute in reference to work.

The Conner brothers Ross and Abe run a sheep ranch, another brother Bruce of Roswell being a partner, and the dead man was a herder employed by the firm.

dexter, ne¼ 20-1-12, \$1,200.

Julius Meyer to G. B. Salas, lots 9-10 blk 11 Salas addition Willard, \$1 and other considerations.

G. B. Salas to Geneva Meyer, lot 12 blk 14 Williams addition to Willard, \$1 and other considerations.

J. A. Cooper to J. G. Farmer, s½ 34-4-7, \$1 and other considerations.

Edgar G. Ingraham to J. A. Cooper, s½ 34-4-7, \$1 and other considerations.

Mrs. Allie Payne to Felipe Alderete, s½ se¼ 19, sw¼ sw¼, se¼ sw¼ 20, nw¼ sw¼ 28, nw¼ nw¼, n½ se¼, ne¼ sw¼, ne¼ nw¼, nw¼ ne¼ 29-3-11; n½ ne¼, e½ nw¼ 32, s½ se¼, s½ sw¼ 29-3-11; s½ nw¼, n½ sw¼ 25-3-10; w½ sw¼ 30, w½ nw¼ 31-3-11; se¼ se¼ 24, ne¼ ne¼ 25-3-10; lot 1, 30, lot 4 19-3-11; se¼ 25-3-10; w½ sw¼ 32, e½ se¼ 31-3-11, w½ se¼, ne¼ se¼ 24, nw¼ ne¼ 25-3-10, containing 1782.89 acres, \$1 and other considerations.

William G. Johnson to Felipe Alderete, lots 3-4-5-6-7-8-10-11-12 3-3-9, \$3,017.

Hipolito Griego to Mrs. Allie Payne, w½ sw¼ 32, e½ se¼ 31-3-11, \$1 and other considerations.

Josephine E. Corbett-Veal to R. Sellers, blk 1 Veal addition Mountainair, \$3,000.

I. C. Woody to George T. Brown, w½ 33-2-11, \$1 and other considerations.

C. J. Eggleston to John Gloss nw¼ 14-8-8, \$1 and other considerations.

J. P. Porter to Geo. W. Pope, lots 3-4 blk A Estancia, \$400.

G. C. Stovall to R. V. Stovall, lots 1-2, e½ nw¼ 18-5-9, \$300.

Julian A. Davis to J. A. Cooper, nw¼ 35, ne¼ 34-2-7, \$1 and other considerations.

James William Sawyer to Myra and Pearl Clymer, lots 1-2-3-4, section 5, lots 1-2 section 6, 8-9, \$675.

Giles G. Imboden to Milton J. Wood, ne¼ se¼ 31-5-7, \$800.

William E. Campbell to A. J. Green, ne¼ 33-7-9, \$1 and other considerations.

Hiram M. West Sr. to Rachel A. West, e½ sw¼, sw¼ sw¼ 4, nw¼

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nw¼ 9-8-10, \$3,000.
D. S. Byrd to Jim Payne and R. L. Shaw, nw¼ 29-5-7, \$10 and other considerations.
G. M. Wilson to Laura D. Taylor, se¼ 8-5-7, \$1 and other considerations.
Bessie Moore to J. Simpson Moore, s½ 29, sw¼ sw¼ 28-7-7, \$1 and partial support of minor, David H. Moore.
J. W. Oliver to Moises S. Sanchez, lots 23-24 blk 21 Duran, \$225.
Irwin I. Pettus to James R. Marsh, ne¼ 14-6-7, \$800.
Geo. C. Travis to Martha E. Marsh, n½ sw¼, se¼ sw¼, 14-6-7, \$1.
Mary Ann Coffey to Joseph O. Coffey, se¼ 2-3-7, sw¼ 1-3-7, \$200 and other considerations.
Emily A. Honnold to George F. Honnold, se¼ 21-7-9, \$500.
Duran Lodge No. 47 I. O. O. F. to Robert Bourne and H. Daniels, lot 15 blk 25 Duran, \$1.
Olie C. Engrud to Chas. A. Noble, ne¼ 15-3-7, \$250 and other considerations.
Henry Krick to W. R. Meador, lot 18 blk 41 Estancia, \$1 and other considerations.
J. J. Greenhaw to S. B. Cox, n½ se¼, s½ ne¼ 7-3-7, \$3,000.

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